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A Need Satisfied.

BY VIRGINIA LORING.

I lacked five years of my two-score-and-ten, and was living alone in the snug little house left me by my father, just on the outskirts of London. The house, a few valuable articles of plate and some £5000 constituted all my worldly goods. I kept them all under my own personal surveillance. Of banks I had my own opinion, and I knew a far safer place for my little hoard than intrusting it to strange and perhaps dishonest men.

I was sitting one afternoon in my pretty little drawing room, revolving in my mind the improvement a little paint and wall paper might be, and at the same time unwilling to expend the necessary sum, when my neat little maid-servant announced that a gentleman had called to see me.

I took a hasty glance in the mirror to convince myself that my hair was in order and my cap-ribbons on the proper angle, when his shadow darkened the threshold.

I glanced up; I fear I blushed. His dark eyes were fixed so penetratingly upon me that mine fell beneath their glance. I had caught but a passing glimpse of the handsome face and tall, manly form, but dared not look again.

"You will pardon me, madam—" he began.

"Not madam," I interrupted; "Miss Loring."

"Miss Loring," he repeated after me. "I ventured on the madam, because I thought it could not be possible Miss Loring could have been permitted to retain that prefix she so evidently prefers."

Presumptuous it may have been in a stranger, but spoken in a low, musically modulated voice, it did not present itself to me in the right light.

I instantly tried to remember all the heroes I had read of in the romances I procured from the library, and to determine which one of them he most resembled.

There was one great void which heretofore had always existed in my life—a romantic adventure.

Singular as it may seem, I had never had one. My heart began to palpitate as I thought that possibly the need would now be satisfied.

"I almost hesitate to make known to you the cause of my visit, lest you should regard it in the light of an impertinent intrusion," he continued; "but in passing by your house, I noticed the upper room in your back-building, which is peculiarly adapted for a studio. I am an artist and in search of just such an apartment, for which I am willing to pay a most liberal price. I shall occupy it only during a few hours each day. If Miss Loring will not accede to my request will she not at least pardon it?"

He bowed low and deferentially before me. My brain was in a whirl. What could his proposition mean? Had he seen me and made this a pretext to know me? I could not tell. I dared not trust myself as yet to give a decided answer.

"I will think the matter over," I said, and I fear there was a slight tremulousness in my tone. "If you will call tomorrow I will let you know my decision."

"I will leave you my card, then," he replied, drawing his cardcase from his pocket, and placing a delicately engraved card on the table. "I am quite willing to pay a pound a week, and if you accede to my request, I shall consider myself indeed your debtor."

I rose and courtesied as he bowed himself out. A pound a week! It was munificent. I need no longer study ways and means as to paint and wall paper. I should be able to do all that I had planned, and more. Why, then, should I hesitate? Why had I not said yes at once? Perhaps he never would return.

My heart sank at the thought, to a depth no mere pecuniary loss could have entailed upon it.

Had this stranger, then, made an impression upon that susceptible portion of my anatomy? He looked younger than my real age—but what of that? Doubtless I looked far younger than my years.

At the last taking of the census I had given my age at 28, and, further than a slight elevation of his eyebrows, the census taker showed not the slightest surprise. I thought afterwards the movement was a nervous affection, and was sorry that I had not proposed a specific cure.

I took up the card from the table. It bore the name of Algernon Vernon. Algernon! I might have known he would possess such a name!

I tried in vain to rivet my wandering thoughts upon the latest romance. Nothing its pages contained equaled this new and absorbing element in my life. All my doubts concerning my resolve had fled.

On the morrow I would accede to Mr. Vernon's request. Not even the neighbors could find food for gossip, inasmuch as he would occupy the room only during a few daylight hours.

But why had he selected mine? The houses on either side of the street were of the same construction. Evidently he had a motive other than appeared on the surface for wishing to gain an entree into my humble abode.

Next day found be in a state of nervous agitation lest he should disappoint me; but there was no occasion for it.

Promptly on the hour of the day preceding he arrived, and I made known to him my acquiescence in his proposition; but this time he drew a chair before the fire at my request, and we had quite a social and very pleasant chat.

He would not remove all his artist belongings at present, he said. He was engaged on one work which particularly occupied him, and which he hoped to finish in time for the Royal Academy; after that he might have a request to make of me. Had I ever been told by artists that my profile was a study?

Ah, he meant, then, to ask me to paint my picture! What a triumph over that horrid Williamson girl, who had said that one day, not far off, my nose and chin would meet! Evidently she did not understand true art.

I have such a trick of blushing, I never can get over it. I blushed now, and murmured that any request Mr. Vernon might make I was sure I would be but too glad to comply with.

Then he rose to go, but before doing so he placed a one-pound note in my hand.

"Invariably in advance, Miss Loring," he said, almost apologetically. "It is a rule from which I never deviate."

The next day he came. He brought with him nothing but the picture on which he was at work, his paints and easels, and one or two wooden models.

Of course I never intruded upon him at his work, but he grew into the habit, as he passed the open door of the sitting room, to drop in and talk with me.

One afternoon, when he had lingered over his painting longer than his wont, and seemed more tired, I asked him to stay and take a cup of tea with me.

I could not but see how gladly he consented. Of course did my guest all honor. With my own hands I drew the old heirlooms from their covers and placed them on the table. With pardonable pride I ushered him into the room.

"Are you not afraid to live alone, Miss Loring," he asked, "with so much valuable silver?"

"Oh, no!" I answered; "I keep it in a safe built in the wall, and sleep with the key under my pillow. No one would think of looking for it there."

And then I went on to explain to him my horror of banks, and how much of my worldly goods I preferred to have under my personal supervision.

"It is not safe," he insisted. "I wish I had the right to refuse to allow you to run such risk."

With what tenderness he uttered the last sentence! To what was it the prelude? It must not come upon me too suddenly. I could not bear the fullness of its ecstacy, but I no longer doubted what for long I had suspected—Algernon's heart was mine.

As he bade me good night he held and pressed my hand. I fear my head, in spite of the injury to my cap, fell one brief instant on his manly shoulder. I heard something like a sigh; then he tore himself away. I was again alone.

The next day I did not see him on his way to the studio. Two men were with him, so he could not stop. They were rather rough-looking men—evidently models. Shortly after one of them passed down the stairs and went out. Then Algernon came.

"Where is your visitor?" I asked.

"They have both gone," he said.

I thought it strange I had not seen the other man pass, but soon Algernon's presence made me forget all else; only he seemed distrait and ill at ease.

Perhaps I had been too cold, too distant, and so had wounded his noble heart. I silently swore to throw off the mask of maiden modesty, and show him more of the true heart which beat but for him. Before, however, I had gotten my courage to the point, he had gone.

I sat alone for two, perhaps three hours, until the twilight fell. Then a sudden desire assailed me to go up and look at the progress of his work. I had not seen the picture since the day it came, and he had been with me a fortnight.

Softly I opened the door. The picture was on its easel, covered with a cloth. The cloth I gently raised, but I could discover on the canvas no change. Doubtless, lost in thought of me, Algernon had striven in vain to pursue his art.

I sank into a chair and gave myself up to sweet reverie, when suddenly I started. A loud and violent sneeze sounded close beside me. I sprang to my feet and looked about the room. It was empty, save for the two wooden models and myself.

One of these models Algernon had evidently been copying, since he had dressed it in the brigand hat and coat he kept for that purpose, and which he once had shown me.

A great terror assailed me; I searched every corner of the room. In vain—I could discover nothing.

At last I went out, but taking the key from the door I locked it behind me. On my way down stairs I caught a glimpse of Jenny's (my maid of all work) young man, escaping through the back door.

I did not approve of followers, but Jenny was so good and faithful that I sometimes had to shut my eyes to the somewhat frequent visits of the young butcher, who evidently intended her to share his lot. Somehow my recent fright made the presence of a man, even the butcher, a thing to be desired.

"Tom!" I called. He came back, bowing awkwardly. "I don't mind if you stay to tea," I said. "I had a little fright just now, and I'm nervous. I'd feel better to know you were in the kitchen, within call."

"Thank ye, miss! but I can't stay to-night, and ye needn't be nervous, for I'm just after seeing Mr. Vernon looking out of the studio window."

"Mr. Vernon has been gone two hours," I said.

"Well, certainly it was some one else in the studio, for I certainly saw a man's head by the window when I came in, a half hour ago."

His assertion made me doubly nervous.

"It is very strange," I said; and then I told him what had happened.

"Let me go up and look, Miss Loring," he suggested.

Consenting, I led the way, but stood back that he might enter alone—Jenny meanwhile bringing up the rear.

It was now quite dark. Tom struck a light. The room was silent and empty.

Had some ghost been playing us tricks? Doubtless if Tom had had only my story he would have been at once satisfied that my imagination only was at fault. As it was, he looked about him puzzled and perplexed. Suddenly he made a spring forward.

"Don't, don't!" I cried. "You will disturb the model!"

But too late. He already had clutched it by the throat, and, to my intense consternation and amazement, it, too, became endued with animal life.

For a few moments the two struggled for the mastery, Jenny and I meanwhile screaming at the top of our lungs; but before the police arrived Tom had bound the man's hands, and stood triumphant over his prostrate form.

He soon made piteous confession. It was not his fault. He had been hired to open the door at midnight to Mr. Algernon Vernon, and was to assist in carrying off the booty.

"Mr. Algeron Vernon?" I gasped.

The fellow smiled a hideous smile.

"Yes, miss," he said. "His real name is Jake Brown, however. He said there'd be no trouble in fooling the old woman, and that he had a sure thing of it."

The old woman! I would almost rather they had taken my silver and my bonds. Algernon! Algernon! Still my heart echoes the desolate cry! Still it is empty! Jake Brown!

I yet believe the name, at least, was basest slander on the part of his accomplice, whose term of imprisonment has just expired.

Algernon escaped detection; but I have the wooden models and the unfinished painting (judges pronounce it a chromo) to recall the one romantic episode in an old maid's life.—Saturday Night.

NEW LIGHT ON THE DWARFS.

Sir Harry Johnston Improves a Favorite Opportunity to Study Them.

In the month of July last Sir Harry Johnston of the Uganda Protectorate, having occasion to go into the Congo Free State to meet its officials, improved the opportunity to restore to their homes a number of pygmies who had been kidnapped by a German adventurer with a view to sending them to the Paris exposition. Johnston arrested the German, released the pygmies and restored them to the huts of leaves and branches where they live in the great forest.

Most explorers who have seen the dwarfs of Africa have brought home only meagre information on account of the timidity of these little people. Their greater confidence in Sir Harry Johnston may have been due to the fact that he brought their friends back to them. At any rate they gave him the very unusual privilege of making many photographs of them and of their dances, implements and dwellings. Anthropological measurements were also made by a member of the party and the publication of these detailed studies of the dwarfs promises to give a good deal of fresh information about them.

Some anthropologists have detected resemblances between the languages spoken by the dwarfs in widely separated localities and have inferred from this fact that they were descendants of an ancient people who had been scattered by the intrusion of stronger tribes. But Sir H. Johnston arrived at the conclusion that these Congo dwarfs no longer speak an original language of their own, but talk, in a slightly corrupted form, the language of the taller negroes in whose neighborhood they dwell. He found their intelligence, as a rule, to be well developed, and though they are often very ape-like in appearance, they are usually of a winning and cheerful disposition, and their dances are so frolicsome and gay as to distinguish them in that respect from the average African.—New York Sun.

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

In Japan poor children have labels with their names and addresses hung around their necks, as a safeguard against being lost.

Elongated ear-lobes are considered a mark of beauty in Borneo. Girls with this feature reaching down to their elbows are not uncommon.

Congress is said to contain one member who is opposed to all legislation on the ground that there are already too many laws in existence. He favors repealing laws already existing.

In India, China, Japan and adjacent countries are about 400,000,000 people who rarely eat meat; yet they are strong, active and long lived. Darwin is authority for the statement that the Andean natives perform twice the work of ordinary laborers, and subsist almost entirely on a diet of bananas.

The British Medical Journal says that a valuable ram, the property of a grazier in New South Wales, lost its front teeth, and being unable to nibble satisfactorily, was slowly dying from semi-starvation. The services of a dentist were secured and artificial teeth were inserted so successfully that the ram is now thriving as well as ever.

When General Wolfe fell on the plains of Abraham, before Quebec, in the war known to Americans as the French and Indian war, the regiment with which he had long been identified, the Forty-seventh Loyal North Lancashire regiment, went into mourning, and has not abandoned it in the nearly a century and a half since. The officers still wear black blended with their gold braid.

The Isar river is one of the curiosities of Munich, Bavaria. It is chiefly noted for running rapidly and for being nowhere near the battlefield of Hohenlinden, the poet to the contrary notwithstanding. It is a river some times white as milk, at others green as grass, and it is probably the only river of its size in the world which has no boats on it. Nor may one bathe in it on account of the swiftness of the current. Its principal use seems to be for people to drown themselves in; but it also serves a real purpose, because its waters are diverted to flush sewers. After performing this service the waters run as babbling brooks in the city park and are utilized by the washerwoman for laundry purposes.

A jeweler of Humboldt, Neb., is said to have built for his own use an automobile which weighs but 149 pounds.

"UNJUST TARIFF LAWS."

FAVORITE EXPRESSION OF AMERICAN FREE TRADERS.

It Would Be Hard to Name a Single Interest That is Injuriously Affected, Unless It Be the Foreign Manufacturer and the Domestic Pawnbroker.

"Our unjust tariff laws" is a phrase much in use these days by the professional American Cobdenite and the free trade press in general. Unjust to whom?

THE NATIONAL TREASURY?

For two years our customs duties have averaged $20,000,000 a month, nearly half the expenses of the Government, exclusive of the postal department, which is nearly self-sustaining. Our customs revenue was never so large, and it is paid by those who can afford to pay it.

THE CAPITALIST?

American capital was never so largely or profitably employed as now, not only at home, but the world over.

THE WAGE EARNER?

More people are employed to-day in the United States than ever before in our history, and these people are individually and collectively working more days in the year and getting more pay for each day's labor than in any previous year or period.

THE CONSUMER?

The cost of living is much lower to-day than during the period when the Wilson-Gorman free trade law was in operation, and the general cost of living is as low or lower than any time in twenty-five years. There is such a thing as commodities being too cheap.

THE FARMER?

He is selling all he can raise at good prices. He has paid off millions of mortgages in the last three years, and his farm has doubled in value.

THE RAILROADS?

The only complaint that comes from railroads these days is lack of cars. They are carrying more passengers and more freight and paying higher wages to more men, and stockholders are receiving better dividends.

OUR BANKS, BUILDING AND LOAN AND INSURANCE COMPANIES?

These great depositories for money reflect the prosperity of the working class, by which we mean all who work for wage or salary. Surplus income is out in the bank, in the home or in the insurance policy. This not only provides for the future, but it furnishes capital for great and small enterprises and increases the number of employed and adds to the great home market which creates such a huge demand for products of the farmer and factory. In this way our industries are diversified and the endless chain of interdependence is ceaselessly continued, gaining in volume and strength at every turn.

Again we ask, Unjust to whom? We can think of only one class and that is the pawnbroker and his kind.

Perhaps, however, our free trade friends have in mind the foreign manufacturers. Yes; our tariff law may be unjust to them, but what law, divine or human, demands that we go naked and hungry and cold ourselves to provide for our neighbor who should provide for himself?

There never was a more just tariff law on our statute books than the so-called Dingley law now in such successful operation. As a measure for revenue and for protection to our diversified industries and our millions of laborers it is more than fulfilling the expectations of its framers and most thoroughly vindicating their wisdom. When it needs to be amended, as do all tariff laws, to meet changed conditions, it will be amended on a just basis to continue the greatest good to the greatest number.

Uncle Sam's Busy Year.

Condition Never Better.

Contrary to the assertions of Democratic newspapers the condition of the masses has improved within the last half century and continues to improve, according to the report of Carroll D. Wright, the Government Commissioner of Labor. Wages have not only increased, but prices of necessities have decreased, or remain the same. Mr. Wright says that wages to-day are worth more than fifty years ago, or at any continued period during the last fifty years. The world over, the economic condition of the workman was never better.—Lebanon (Ohio) Western Star.

Should Be Remembered.

It is well enough to keep in mind that the only time since 1860 that the Democratic party was in control of both houses of Congress and the President was during the second election of Cleveland, which occurred in 1892, and that great financial panic of 1893 followed the assurance of Democratic control. This fact should be remembered by every voter in the United States, and read anew at each recurring election.—Medford (Oklahoma) Patriot.

Weakly Negative.

The Democrats in Congress seem to have been utterly shattered as a party. They drifted along, weakly opposing everything that the Republicans proposed, and yet not daring to really fight the Republican policy for fear of what might result. The truth is that they are more than half convinced that the Republicans are right, and they themselves are wrong on most public questions.—Flora (Ill.) Journal.

A BIG BRIDGE COLLAPSES

Trolley Car Full of Passengers Falls Into a Canal at Syracuse, N. Y.

NONE KILLED, BUT MANY INJURED

The Car Falls Thirty Feet—Many Pedestrians and a Lumber Wagon Also Go Down With the Wreck — Water Had Been Drawn Off or Many Would Have Perished—The Work of Rescue.

Syracuse, N. Y.—While a car of the Syracuse Rapid Transit Company was crossing the James Street Bridge over the Oswego Canal, in the heart of the city, the bridge suddenly gave way, dropping the car and its sixty passengers to the canal bed, thirty feet below. Several persons who were crossing the bridge at the time went down with the car, while a horse and loaded lumber wagon piled on top of the heap. No one was killed and about forty persons were injured.

The bridge was unusually large, being wide enough to accommodate two driveways, street car tracks, two sidewalks and a towpath. It was recently inspected by State officials and declared safe, but local authorities had for some time been fearful of an accident. The structure was built in 1857.

The car was outward bound to the fashionable suburb along East James street. It was crowded to the doors. The majority of the passengers were women and children. When in about the centre of the bridge the motorman felt the structure sag, and opened his lever wide in an effort to send his car across before the threatened collapse came.

He was too late, however, and with a crash the bridge fell. The car struck the towpath below and then slid into the mud at the bottom of the canal. The water had fortunately been drawn off or at least half of those aboard would have perished. As it was the car was smashed to splinters.

Shrieks and cries came from the wreckage, and the people above could see bloodstained faces and bodies mixed together in a confused mass. The drop of thirty feet made it impossible to get at the injured people until ladders were brought, then the work of rescue was quick. A hurry call for hook and ladder trucks and ambulances brought scores of pieces of apparatus to the scene.

The scenes as the work of rescue progressed were pitable, yet at times almost comical. Women whose faces were cut and smashed almost beyond recognition were crying and moaning over the loss of new Easter hats, ribbons or bunches of roses and violets.

Others who were not injured were more concerned over ruined dresses than the fate of their companions. Little girls, badly cut, were dragged from under the broken timbers by men who were so badly hurt they could hardly speak or see. One hero helped take two women to places of safety before it was learned that he had a broken arm and dislocated ankle.

In the middle of the canal bed, in mud up to its knees, stood the horse that had been attached to the lumber wagon. The wagon was a wreck and the driver badly hurt, but the horse was uninjured.

For more than a year there have been criticisms of the condition of the bridge, many predictions being made by the press that unless it was speedily strengthened an accident would happen. The bridge was about eighty feet feet long and sixty feet wide. It was broken sharp off at both embankments, the entire structure going into the canal.

TO PROTECT SEA BIRDS.

Action Taken to Stop the Slaughter Along the Louisiana Coast.

New Orleans, La.—Professor George E. Beyer, or Tulane University, special inspector of the American Ornithological Union, returned from an extended trip along the Gulf coast, which he visited for the purpose of finding the homes of the sea birds, their feeding and breeding places.

He obtained from the owners of all the coast lands, from the La Fourche to the Atchafalaya, the right to forbid the killing of sea birds on their property. Deputies were sworn in for the purpose of arresting violators of the United States Bird law anywhere within three miles of the coast, while the trespass law of the State will deal with persons who go ashore to destroy the sea birds.

It is thought that these precautions will stop the slaughter of sea birds for millinery purposes that has gone on for the last ten years and has destroyed several varieties of these birds.

MURDERER SURRENDERS HIMSELF

Witnesses Funeral of Mother and Brother His Victims, While Hiding.

Sunbury, Penn.—Remorseful, haggard and worn, John Gulick, who murdered his mother and brother in their home near Kline's Grove, was placed in jail here. He was found in the spring house on the Gulick farm. He said he was tired and had come back home to surrender himself.

Since the day of the crime he had roamed over the mountains during the day and at night went to nearby towns and begged for food from back doors. To Chief of Police Metler he said that he witnessed the funeral of his victims from a nearby hill.

The Largest Vessel Launched.

The White Star Line steamer Celtic, the largest vessel in the world, was launched at Belfast, Ireland.

Cuba Refuses Terms Offered.

By the emphatic vote of twenty-four to two the Constitutional Convention at Havana, Cuba, defeated a resolution for the adoption of the Platt amendment. A delegation from the convention will soon visit President McKinley to explain the impossibility of accepting the amendment.

Pastor Falls Dead at the Altar.

At St. Paul's Church, Augsburg, Bavaria, the Rev. Simon Mueller fell dead at the altar while pronouncing the words "Christ is Risen."

Sporting Brevities.

Professional cyclists made over $100,000 in prize money during the past year.

It is now proposed to open a race-course in Havana, Cuba, conducted in the American style.

Critics believe that the pennant race in the National League will be a one-sided affair between Brooklyn and Pittsburg.

Roy Wirt Allis, a student of the University of Minnesota, has broken the intercollegiate record for feats of strength.

MADE RICH BY TRUSTS

New Jersey's Big Treasury Balance After Paying State Expenses

Millions Spent on Public Buildings, But Citizens Are Satisfied, For Corporations Pay the Bills.

Trenton, N. J.—The recent growth of vast industrial combinations has proved of great pecuniary benefit to New Jersey, where so many of the big trusts have filed certificates of incorporation.

The fees that have flowed into the coffers of the State have lifted New Jerrsey from a struggling financial condition to a position which enables her to boast that she carries more ready cash than any other State in proportion to her population and area.

State Controller W. S. Hancock announced on November 1 last, the beginning of the current fiscal year, that New Jersey had a balance in the treasury of $2,005,222, and if the race for New Jersey charters continues the State will probably close the year with a much larger balance, after paying nearly three millions to conduct its government.

When Governor Randolph, in 1870, sent his message to the Legislature there was only $2760 on hand. For many years afterward, and until the corporation boom struck the State, the best showing it could make—and it was always made before election day, with figures usually juggled for political effect—was an average balance of $300,000. The State Treasurer's report for 1890 showed ony $241,996—a little more than the United States Steel Corporation paid to get the State seal on its certificate.

The official fees of the State in 1890 were only $18,230; last year they were $400,000, but up to the present time the income of the State for the year is $388,679.

Returns for March show that during that month 282 corporations obtained their certificates in this State, paying for the privilege $47,104, as against 205 corporations formed in February, with fees amounting to $19,000. Last year 1987 corporations were formed, as against 2181 in 1899.

Before the stream of corporation fees began to flow into its Treasury, New Jersey's State buildings were few and in poor condition, but during the last five years the State has expended about $4,000,000 on these structures.

It cost last year to run all the departments of the State $2,871,776. More than this amount came from the corporations. The income this year from registration fees will be at least $500,000, and from the franchise tax $1,600,000. The railroad tax will amount to $915,000. The tax on two life insurance companies is $210,000. So that in New Jersey the people are satisfied to stand sponsors for the "trust factory," because it pays the bills.

KAISER'S WARNING TO TROOPS.

'Serious Times Are Coming," He Says, "That Will Try Our Mettle."

Berlin, Germany.—"The authority of the Crown must be maintained at all hazards. Woe to the soldier who listens to the voice of the tempter!" declared Emperor William at a review of troops of the Potsdam garrison in a speech which has just come to light, though extraordinary means were adopted to keep it from the public.

"A hand from out of the people was

EMPEROR WILLIAM OF GERMANY.

recently raised against me, to my intense sorrow. Evidently serious times are coming that will try our mettle.

"I know that the army is true to its traditions and to the solemn oath it has taken. I know it will remain steadfast and faithful to me."

Unusual precautions were taken to prevent any representative of the press or other civilian obtaining knowledge of these remarks, which were uttered in the Lustgarten, adjoining the royal castle.

AGUINALDO COMMANDS PEACE.

Sends a Message to Filipinos to Lay Down Their Arms.

Manila.—Aguinaldo has agreed to send Trias, with whom he has had a number of conferences, to tell the insurgents in the field that it is his wish that they should lay down their arms and accept amnesty.

Trias will carry credentials from Aguinaldo as the former chief of the insurrection.

Boys Flogged in a Mayor's Office.

Amos and George Gordon, boys aged nine and eleven, were publicly flogged, by order of Mayor Watson in the Mayor's office, at Findlay, Ohio. The boys stole $70 from the office of the Courier. They confessed their guilt.

War Excitement in Japan.

Popular excitement over the expected war with Russia continues in Japan. Cruisers are being commissioned for active service, transport vessels are held in readiness, and the reserve troops have been warned to prepare for service.

Filing Claims Against China.

Official notice is issued that claims for indemnities against China must be filed with the British Minister at Pekin, Sir Ernest Mason Satow, before May 1.

Newsy Gleanings

Natural gas has been struck near Lowellville, Ohio.

Barcelona, Spain, will hold an Irish potato exhibit during May and June.

Another counterfeit of the $5 silver certificate, issue of 1899, has been found.

The hegira of Western capitalists and corporations to New York City is still kept up.

After having been threatened many years, the fortifications of Paris are at last to be destroyed.

Landslides in the Apennines have destroyed entire villages, and caused considerable loss of life.

SAILORS TURN CANNIBALS

Two of Twelve Shipwrecked Survive by Eating Others.

RESCUED BY FRIENDLY MALAYS

Drifted on a Raft For Twenty-five Days and Suffered Terribly — Two of the Crew of the Wrecked Nova Scotian Bark Angola Reach Singapore and Tell the Ghastly Story.

London.—The Singapore correspondent of the Daily Mail wires a ghastly story of cannibalism. The correspondent says it was brought to Singapore by two survivors of the Nova Scotian bark Angola, which left Cavite, P. I., on October 17.

The vessel was wrecked on a reef on October 23, as has already been reported. The story is that seventeen of the crew built two rafts, one of which, carrying five persons, disappeared the first night. The other carrying twelve persons, including Captain Crocker, drifted for twenty-five days.

The men were without food or water and their agony was terrible. They ate seaweed and chewed their boots. On October 25 two of them went mad and plunged into the sea.

The next day a Frenchman killed the mate with an axe and drank his blood. He tried to eat the brains, but his comrades threw the corpse overboard to prevent it.

On October 27 the Frenchman tried to kill the captain with the axe, but another man wrested the weapon from him and killed him. When night fell the others ate part of the Frenchman's body. On October 28 Captain Crocker died and his body was eaten.

The cannibalism was repeated until the two men who tell the story, Johannsen, a Swede, and Marticonu, a Spaniard, were the only survivors.

Finally the raft drifted ashore on Soubi Island. The natives there were friendly and put the two men on board a junk bound for Singapore.

MOB LYNCHED WHITE MAN.

Broke Into Jail in an Arkansas Town and Hanged a Murderer.

Osceola, Ark.—May Hearn, a white man about twetny-six years old, was taken from the county jail by a masked mob and hanged to the limb of a tree just in the rear of the jail. Hearn was in jail for killing Clyde King at Luxora, Ark. King was from Union City, Tenn., and was visiting his brothers, who live at Luxora. He there became acquainted with Hearn and a friendship sprang up between them.

On Sunday night they visited a resort in Luxora and while there Hearn sat down to the piano and began pounding the keys with a heavy revolver, failing to stop after several requests. King remonstrated in a friendly way, telling him that he would ruin the instrument. Upon this Hearn turned and with an oath fired his revolver at King, the bullet piercing the heart.

THE TEXAS OIL BOOM.

Secretary of State's Office Flooded With Company Charters.

Austin, Texas.—The fact that all of the four wells drilled in the Beaumont oil fields have struck oil, their output being estimated at over 200,000 barrels daily, has caused every man in Texas with money to invest to become oil crazy.

The Secretary of State's office here is being flooded with company charters. The State's revenue for filing fees of oil company charters have averaged over $1000 a day for several days past.

Oil Strike in Wyoming.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—Great excitement prevails throughout Southern Wyoming as the result of the discovery of the highest grade of illuminating oil at Pioneer Hollow, near Evanston, by the Union Pacific Railroad. Thousands of acres have been filed upon.

VILLAGE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Twenty-eight Houses Burned and Many Made Homeless; Loss, $250,000.

Lisbon Falls, Me.—A fire which started in the Everett block here resulted in the destruction of twenty-eight buildings in the business part of the town, and it is believed the loss will approximate $250,000.

Every business house except two was destroyed, and many residences, leaving scores of people homeless. But that the two unburned stores were provision stores, the inhabitants would have suffered great want.

It is considered fortunate that no lives were lost, as the fire occurred at night, and when the flames were first seen they had passed the point where the little hand tub, the only bit of fire apparatus in the town, could be used effectively. Aid was sent from Lewiston and Bath.

The Merrimac Blown Up.

The collier Merrimac, which was blown up and sunk in the harbor of Santiago, Cuba, by Lieutenant Hobson while Admiral Cevera's fleet was inside in 1898, was successfully destroyed by a ton of dynamite. Hitherto it has been extremely dangerous for vessels to attempt the narrow entrance to the harbor, but now that this wreck has been destroyed it is perfectly safe.

Many Arrests For Treason.

The Cape Town correspondent of the London Daily Express, reports wholesale arrests for treason in Graaf Reinet and Aberdeen, South Africa.

Bill Taylor, Train Robber, Caught.

Sheriff M. C. Bozarth, of Edwards County, Texas, has succeeded in capturing Bill Taylor, the notorious train robber, who is under sentence of life imprisonment for robbing a Southern Pacific passenger train at Lozier, Texas, about two years ago.

A New Philippine Code.

A new code for the Philippines abolishes existing courts and provides for new ones. There will be no jury trials and Spanish will be the court language until 1906.

Labor World.

A textile labor union has been organized at Ephrata, Penn.

Coal operators at Lick Run, W. Va., will try to use none but non-union men.

President Mitchell will be asked to settle the strike in the Indiana soft coal district.

There are 30,000 coal miners idle in Scotland owing to the strike for an eight-hour day.

Coal hoisting engineers at Massillon, Ohio, want an eight-hour day, and threaten a strike.

CONDITION OF THE CROPS

A Very Promising Prospect in the Winter Wheat Area.

FRUIT OUTLOOK ENCOURAGING

Cold Weather Setback—Too Much Rain and Snow, Except in Texas—General Improvement in the Condition of Winter Wheat, Except in Ohio, Illinois and Oklahoma—Corn Reports Are Bad.

Washington, D. C.—The weekly summary of crop conditions issued by the Weather Bureau says:

The week has been generally cold, with heavy rains in the Atlantic coast districts, lower Missouri Valley and on the North Pacific Coast, and heavy snowfall all over portions of the lower lake regions, Middle Atlantic States and New England.

These conditions have greatly interfered with warming operations, which are generally late, and practically in the Central valleys and Atlantic coast districts, due in part to the heavy rains of March. In central and western Texas, however, rainfall is much needed.

But little progress with corn planting has been made since the first of the month, except in the extreme Southern districts, where it is nearing completion in some sections.

Slow germination and poor stands are generally reported from the Southern States.

A very general improvement in the condition of winter wheat is reported, except in portions of Ohio, Illinois, Oklahoma and Texas, where damage by insects is more or less apparent, the last named State reporting unfavorable effects of drought.

On the Pacific Coast the outlook for winter wheat continues promising, but the crop needs rain over a large part of California.

Oat seeding is well advanced as far north as the Ohio Valley, and some seeding has been done in Nebraska. In the East Gulf and South Atlantic districts the outlook is very promising, but the crop is being injured by drought and insects in Texas.

Preparations for cotton planting have been delayed by excessive rains in portions of the Carolinas, Georgia and Alabama, but over the central districts good progress has been made, and planting is in operation as far North as Arkansas and Northern Mississippi and North Carolina.

Reports respecting the fruit outlook are almost uniformly encouraging. In California, however, severe frosts have caused serious injury in the central and northern districts.

SPECIAL TELEGRAPH REPORTS.

Weather Conditions in the Middle and New England States.

NEW YORK.—Frost out of the ground, but season backward; corn three feet deep in parts of northern section and a fall of three to eighteen inches general; heavy rains during week; some gardening and plowing in extreme southeast; wheat and rye in good condition; grass starting slowly; maple sugar light.

NEW JERSEY.—Heavy rains in all sections, although retarding farm work, were highly beneficial, as subsoil was dry and many wells and springs in extreme portions low; in southern portion a large acreage of early potatoes, corn and hardy truck has been planted; plowing and seeding oats begun in central portion first of week; winter green and grass improving slowly; fruit buds, north portion, still dormant, elsewhere swelling and promising; temperature about normal; cloudiness and rainfall excessive.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Heavy precipitation and cool and cloudy weather have tended to retard growth of vegetation; heavy rains in the southeast stopped plowing, and a foot or more of snow in other sections interrupted farm work; other than the hauling out of manure farm work has not been started in northern counties, farther south considerable plowing has been done; grain generally looks splendid, and prospects are brighter for grass; maple sugar now being secured in northern districts.

NEW ENGLAND.—Weather cloudy, much rain, seasonal temperature; much snow now in Northern States, ground bare, with plowing and gardening in favorable locations in southern portion; grass and grain wintered well; fruit promising, except peaches, are injured; some tobacco beds seeded; maple sugar small crop.

MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.—Week cool and wet; foot of snow in extreme west, heavy rains elsewhere; plowing and other farm work delayed; winter grain in excellent condition, timothy fair, clover very poor; some peas and potatoes up in southern counties; tobacco plants growing nicely; fruit buds swelling in north, apricot and peach trees in blossom in extreme south.

STAMP TAX TO RAISE $15,000,000

Proposed Tax on All Interest-Bearing Contracts For New York's Benefit.

Albany, N. Y.—Senator Raines (Rep., Ontario) introduced a bill to impose a stamp tax of one-fifth of one per cent. upon the principal of all interest-bearing contracts, such as stocks, bonds and mortgages. The stamps are to be purchased from the State Controller. Senator Raines says the bill will raise about $15,000,000 annually, as near as can be estimated.

Spanish War Bounty For Sampson.

The United States Court of Claims at Washington has rendered a judgment in favor of Rear-Admiral Sampson for $3239, as a bounty growing out of the engagements at Manzanillo and Nipa Bay, in Cuba, during the Spanish war.

Floods Subside in New England.

The flood scare all over New England, due to rising waters after five days of rain, has died out. The losses will be heavy, but not as great as freshets of recent springs.

Schwerin Regency Ends.

The Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, Friedrich Franz IV., having attained his majority, made his state entry into Schwerin. His uncle had been guardian and regent. The Grand Duke, the Sultan and the Czar are the only three monarchs in Europe who reign without a constitution.

Government to Test Armor Plate.

Armor plate manufactured by a new process, to be tested by the Navy Department, at Washington, would effect a saving of $305 per ton.

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LET US HAVE PEACE.

After a conference with leading members of the conservative and anti-ring element of the state Democracy the Republican leaders have decided, in the interest of political peace, to dismiss the election cases against the registrars charged with gross violations of the election laws at the recent state political contest at the polls, and a number of these cases have been already "nol prossed." The demand for the cessation of the bitter political strife which has in the past so retarded the state's industrial growth was in reality the prime cause for this concession to the needs of the hour. As might have been expected the "ring's" mouth-piece was very ready with the had-no-case and I-told-you-so cry. The general sentiment of the party is ably and truthfully voiced, however, in the following editorial excerpt from the Statesville Landmark:

"The fact is, the extreme element in the Democratic party did not want these election cases dropped and for several reasons. One is that they did not want the Democrats who opposed impeachment to get the credit for stopping them; another is that they, or some of them, desired the cases to go on because they knew the trial and possible conviction would create much bitter partisan feeling and hatred of Republicans among Democrats, and as this element can only thrive and fatten on strife they wanted the strife kept up, regardless of consequences.

* * * The good people of the State however will be glad to learn that these cases have been dropped—glad on account of the registrars; glad on account of the reason that it will put an end, for a time at least, to political strife."

Let us hope that this action may inaugurate an era of better political feeling.

FROM ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW.

In criticising the action of the Republican leaders in dismissing the much-discussed election cases, the Union-Republican gives us the following:

"We believe that the nol prossing of the election cases in the Federal court was both bad policy and an injustice to the aggrieved parties. The nature of the cases demand the prosecution of these election officers not as a matter of policy only but because the defendants had openly and flagrantly violated the law and denied citizens of rights guaranteed them by the Constitution, and last, but not least, subverted the will of the people in many counties in the State, if not of the majority of the legal voters of the State. Then if the cases were not started for political reasons they should not have been stopped for such reasons, but by all means the proper course, it seems to us, that should have been taken was to try the cases in a regular way and let the test be made as to whether the law had been violated and as to whether the defendants were guilty as charged in the indictments. That the managers for the defendants were not willing to go to trial, but preferred a "nol pros with leave" is evidence that they are aware of the defendants guilt, and of the court's ability to establish their guilt, and the seriousness and extent of the offence, it seems to us, made it incumbent upon the court to deal with these cases with a firm hand."

For reasons stated elsewhere we do not agree with our contemporary. We believe that the present great need of political peace and industrial upbuilding in the state demands some concession even at the expense of strict justice. There are some, however, who think otherwise. Their opinion finds an able exponent in our contemporary. While we will admit that their argument is not without logical pith, it seems to us that there are other issues which are paramount. We understand, moreover, that these cases were dismissed only upon the tacit agreement that in the future the causes which led to their instigation will find no repetition.

SUFFICIENT FOR THE DAY.

The cotton growers of the State seem to have treated the call, issued for April 6th, to assemble in their respective counties for the purpose of intelligent discussion then and there of the problem presented by the probable over-increase of the cotton acreage for the coming season, with supreme and reckless indifference.

Says a contemporary:

"We are not looking for any general uprising of our farmers—either of the Southern States or of this State—in behalf of the curtailment of the cotton crop. We did hope, however, that there would be enough to get together in each locality to discuss the situation, and, while not altering the determination to plant a full acreage in cotton, emphasize the necessity of each farmer planting, in addition to cotton or tobacco, full crops of foodstuffs.

"It is evident that the farmers will plant their last seed of cotton, and nothing will prevent an eleven or twelve million bale crop this year save the same Providential interference which alone "reduced the crops" of 1899 and 1900.

"If no more land is planted this year than in 1897, 1898 or the two years following, and good seasons prevail, the top notch of a yield will result, and, of course, lower prices."

Then we will hear the old familiar cry of "hard times," the demagogue will revel in his opportunity and will again rescue, in the same old way, the impoverished agrarian from "the throttling clutch of corporate wealth," the student of economic problems will write learned papers explaining the why of the wherefore, but nobody will dare to suggest the pertinent truth that lack of agricultural foresight could be in any way responsible for conditions that may then exist.

In a recent address to the students of the University, President Venable said: "Stay in North Carolina. It is going to be one of the foremost States in the South and the young man who leaves it will be sorry for it."

That's the sort of talk that the leaders and educators of the State ought to give to the young men looking to them for advice. North Carolina has lost more in the going away of its young men than in any other way. Many of our best young men have in times past felt that to win large success they must go away. "Emmigration has been our bane."—News & Observer.

When political prejudice and party passion no longer hold baleful sway in North Carolina, when the policy of build-up instead of tear-down is more universally advocated and pursued, when industry is encouraged and freedom of political conscience is guaranteed, when prejudice gives way to tolerance and ignorance to education there will be no longer any cause for such a wail. Our contemporary has stated the disease, let us see if it is willing to advocate the remedy—less politics.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals has not surprised the public by announcing that Powers and Howard, whose recent trials and convictions for the Goebel murder attracted national comment and attention, must have new hearings. The court is composed of four Republicans and three Democrats, but it is reported that it was unanimous in one of the cases. The grounds for setting aside the sentences and ordering new trials are, to speak plainly, that the trials were unfair in the extreme, and that, as a Kentucky jurist told a correspondent, the whole performance was a travesty on justice not surpassed by the outrage perpetrated upon Dreyfus in France.

Mr. Wu, China's shrewd, diplomatic and cultured representative at Washington, is to address the Southern Manufacturers' Club at Charlotte this evening. The South, especially the cotton-growing and manufacturing section, is vitally interested in the country from which this oriental gentleman hails, is selfishly desirous of peace in that far-off kingdom and for the opening up of China's great market now closed by the complications of war. Mr. Wu's address will be awaited with interest.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., April 12, 1901.

President McKinley and his Cabinet see no practical difference between the powers taking what Chinese territory they desire at once and making a demand for the payment of an amount of indemnity that every body knows China cannot pay. If $500,000,000, which is in the neighborhood of the amount a majority of the powers wish to demand or anything approximating that amount, is demanded, it will be not because the powers expect the money to be paid, but because they expect to make the demand an excuse for seizing Chinese territory later on. President McKinley and his advisers think that $200,000,000 is the outside limit of the amount that should be demanded of China, and are strongly in favor of making it half that amount, and as an argument in favor of the latter amount have offered to reduce the demand of the U. S.—$25,000,000—one-half if the powers would agree to limit the total to $100,000,000.

An interesting statement was this week issued by Admiral Bowles, Chief of the Naval Bureau of Construction, showing the condition of the numerous warships that are under contract or being constructed. Of nine battleships under contract the Illinois is 90 per cent completed, the Maine 46 the Ohio 39 and the Missourt 28, and five—Virginia, Nebraska, Georgia, New Jersey, and Rode Island—have not been started. Six armored Cruisers — Pennsylvania, West Virginia, California, Colorado, Maryland, and South Dakota—are also yet to be started. Two protected cruisers—St. Louis, and Chacleston—have not been started; the percentage of completion of the others stands, Cleveland 25, Chattanooga 27, Denver 43, Des Moines 32, Galveston 17, and Tacoma 17. The percentage of the monitors under construction is, Nevada 84, Wyoming 73, Florida 63, and Arkansas 49. Of the fourteen torpedo boats three are 99 per cent completed and five 98 and the rest are well advanced. The submarine boats stand, Adder 40 per cent, Grampus 22, Moccasin 28, Pike 18, Porpoise 24, and Shark 22. This list gives some idea of how our Navy is being strengthened.

President McKinley never made a happier address than that he delivered at the unveiling of the handsome equestrian statue of Gen. John A. Logan, this week, and Senator Depew was at his best in his oration on the same occasion.

Gov. Allen says the talk about Porto Ricans being on the point of starvation is due largely to one man, who is a disappointed office seeker. Of this man, who is the father of the petition asking President McKinley for work to prevent starvation, Gov. Allen said: "He has tried bulldozing the American administration in the island, demanding patronage, and failed. He has ordered resignations and failed. He has tried personal vituperation only to injure himself. He has promoted anti-tax law agitation and failed. And now to counteract the truth about better times in his island, he resorts to petitions such as this. I speak plainly, but without animosity, for I know the people of the U. S. want the truth, and once they understand the source of so many of these sensational reports from Porto Rico, they will give them scant notice."

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TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

The third annual convention of the first district Woman's Christian Temperance Union, North Carolina, is to be held in M. E. Church South, Edenton, N. C., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, April 24th, 25th and 26th, 1901. The following program has been arranged;

First Session, Wednesday afternoon 3 o'clock.—Convention called to order by district president, Mrs. Emma H. White, Belvidere Music, reading of Crusade Psalm, prayer, solo—Miss Lillie White, Edenton. Roll call with responces of quotations from Miss Francis E. Willard.

Announcement of Committees:—Finance, Credential and Courtesies. Music.

Report of General Officers:—Corresponding Secretary, Organizer, Treasurer. Music Annual address of district president, Mrs. Emma H. White, Belvidere, Music.

Second Session. Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock.—Music, Devotional Exercises, Rev A. J. Parker, Roper; Music, Address of welcome on behalf of churches and town, Rev. J. O. Aldermari, pastor of Baptist church, Edenton; Welcome Song by children. Address of Welcome on behalf of the W. C. T. U. of Edenton, Miss Sallie P. Cherry Response, Mrs. Geo. Hawkins, Hertford; Music, Address by Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, Washington, D. C., Supt. of Legislation and Petition of National W. C. T. U.

Third Session, Thursday Morning, 10 o'clock—Song Service, Devotional Exercises. Mrs. Malena Ward, Parmele; Minutes, "Scientific Temperance Teaching" Mrs. H. F. Smith, Elizabeth City; Singing. "The Value of the Printed Page" Mrs. A. Hawkins, Belhaven. Round Table Literature and Press Work led by Mrs. Mary E. Cartland, Greensboro; Report of Credential Committee. Election of Officers, singing. Noontide service conducted by Mrs. Mary E. Cartland, Greensboro, Pres. of W. C. T. U. of North Carolina.

Fourth Session, Thursday afternoon 2.30 o'clock.—Music, Devotional Exercises, Mrs. M. D. Ellis, Washington, D. C.; Minutes, Report of Executive Committee, Music, "Unfurmented Communion Wine" Mrs. J. R. Darden, Belvidere; A Reading, Miss May Riddick Hertford; Music. Paper, "Woman's Responsibility and Woman's Opportunity," Mrs. T. E. Peden, Ayden; Recitation, Miss Ridie Derickson, Elizabeth City; Music.

Fifth Session, Thursday Evening 8 o'clock.—Music, Devotional Exercises, Mrs. Geo. E. Major, Hertford; Music, Recitation, Miss Lydia Nicholson White, Belvidere; Solo, Miss Fannie Newby, Hertford; Address, Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, Washington, D. C.; Music.

Sixth Session, Friday morning 10 o'clock.—Singing, Devotional Exercises, Mrs. P. Shipp, E. City; Minutes. Report of Committees: Finance Courtesies, Singing. "Loyal Temperance Legion" Mrs. T. C. Blanchard, Hertford; Miscellaneous Round Table led by Mrs. M. E. Cartland, Greensboro. Invitation for next convention. Noontide hour conducted by Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis. Adjournment.

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No Use For the Water.

"They tell a good many jokes about Kentucky colonels and their natural aversion to water," said a fat drummer in the hotel corridor the other night, "but the richest thing in that line I ever knew to come off in real life happened over in Alabama when old man Briggs was trying to sell his summer hotel. Briggs had a pretty piece of property in the Alabama highlands, and its star feature was a magnificent big spring that welled into a sort of basin and was as cold as ice all the year round. He had good prospects of making a popular resort out of the place, but he got the California fever and offered it at a sacrifice to a race horse man from Kentucky who had an idea that he was cut out for a landlord.

"The race horse man was a typical Kentucky colonel of the old school and a mighty fine fellow. He came down to look over the ground in person, and Briggs started out with him to point out the principal attractions. At last they came to the famous spring. 'This, colonel,' said Briggs, stopping at the edge of the basin and swelling with pride, 'is a wonderful natural reservoir of crystal pure water, inexhaustible in volume and ice cold in temperature. It is undoubtedly the finest spring in the south.'

"'Hum-m-m!' grunted the colonel, sizing up the bubbling pool. 'I reckon I'll have to have this hole filled up if we close our deal, Mr. Briggs.'

"'Filled up!' exclaimed Briggs in horror.

"'Yes, suh,' replied the colonel calmly. 'You see, I'm not a-calculatin on keeping any stock on the place.'"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Her Sacrifice.

The Rev. Cyrus T. Brady says in his book of missionary reminiscences: "I was once preaching about missions, urging the congregation to make some sacrifice for the missionary cause and indicating to them several methods by which they could follow my advice. Among other things I suggested that they refrain from purchasing any book which they very much desired and donate the money to me instead for my missionary work. I happened to have perpetrated a book myself.

"You will therefore understand my feelings when a very bright woman in the congregation came up to me and handed me $1 with the remark, I had intended to buy your book and read it, Mr. Brady, but I have concluded to follow your advice and give you the money for missions instead.'

"I accepted the situation gracefully and told her I would lend her my own copy of the book to read. She smiled and thanked me, and as she did so I voiced my thought in this way, 'But after all Mrs. S., there does not seem to be any sacrifice on your part in this transaction, for you have the happy consciousness of having given the money for missions and yet have the book as well.'

"'No sacrifice?' she replied. 'Why, I have to read the book!'"

Virtue.

The elements of virtue are at the bottom of every heart, and, though they may be trampled underfoot and crushed into the mud, they still exist, and, when rescued and restored, nobility and manhood will grow out of them.

Sympathy Not What Was Wanted.

A native of the mountain district of Kentucky had occasion to go on a journey recently and before starting took out an accident policy. He chanced to be one of the victims of a railway collision, and the next morning his widow, armed with a newspaper report, in which his name was mentioned among the killed, called on the agent of the insurance company and demanded the money.

"But, madam," said the agent, "we will have to have more definite proof before we can pay your claim."

"More proof!" exclaimed the bereaved woman. "Why, he's dead'm a doornail, I reckon."

"Possibly, my dear madam," answered the polite agent, "and I'm very sorry."

"Sorry! You are sorry, are you?"

"I certainly am, madam. I sincerely sympathize with you in your sad affliction."

"But hain't you goin to give me the money what's comin to me?"

"Not today. Your claim will have to be investigated first."

"That's just like a good fer nothin man," angrily retorted the bereaved woman. "You all are mighty perlite 'bout things so long as they hain't costin you nothin, but the minnet a poor, lone feemale does git a chance to git holt of a leetle spendin money you got the gall to say you're sorry."

And the indignant female slammed the door.—Chicago News.

Telegraphers' Grip.

"I have lost my grip."

This phrase is applied by men to all kinds of failures. One of the technical usages of losing one's grip is in the case of telegraph operators.

Many of the most skilled operators suffer at times from a loss of the "grip" and are compelled to give way temporarily to a substitute. This "grip" is the hold on the key, and the moment the operator begins to lose the control of this "grip" he realizes a rest, although for only a brief time, is due him.

Another but unpleasant term applied to this loss of "grip" is "telegraphers' paralysis." It shows itself in many curious ways, all showing that the muscles brought into play in working the key are badly worn.

One of the most skillful operators in Louisville, who is subject to these attacks, cannot send "P." The Morse manual calls for five dots for this letter. The operator in question has by some hook or crook lost the power to stop at the fifth dot, and it is a common thing for him to warn the taker to look out for his "P's."

Recently he asked a fellow operator to watch him send "P's" and to stop him at the end of the fifth dot. It resulted that, although he would be warned at the fourth dot, the fingers, no longer mastered by the brain, would continue dotting beyond the fifth.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Quick Witted.

"It was simply an exhibition of nerve and quick wit," said the old banker who was dining at his club with a number of friends. "No one but the paying teller knew what was happening at the time, and what might have been a tragedy was turned into a comedy by his quick wit.

"During the noon hour one day an old man approached the paying teller and presented a check for $1,000,000. With it was a badly written letter to the effect that if the immediate payment of the check was not forthcoming the teller would have his head blown off. He was nothing but a crank, but he had come armed for business, and if the wit of the paying teller had failed him for an instant there might have been a tragedy. But the paying teller coolly took up the check, glanced at it and then handed it back with the remark that the crank had neglected to put a stamp upon it. In an instant the crank was full of apologies at his oversight and departed to get a stamp. It took but a moment to notify the police, and the crank was put where there is no danger of his demanding the payment of any more $1,000,000 checks at the point of a gun."—Detroit Free Press.

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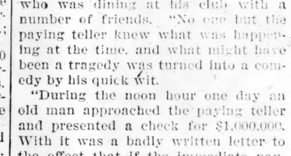

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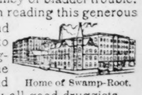

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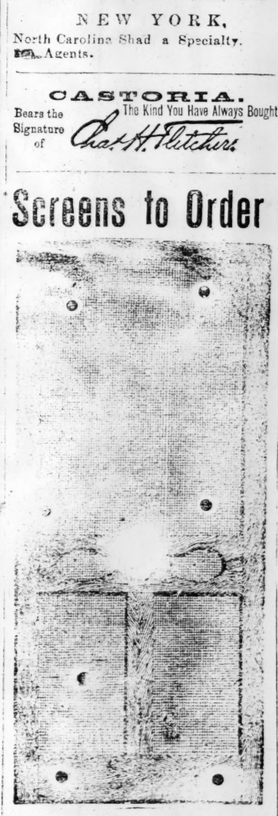

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THE FRIENDS OF YOUTH.

"Oh, where are the friends of my youth?"
In a moment's reflection I cried;
Through a door peeped a head, and the office boy said:
"There's a gent wants to see you outside":
'Twas one of the friends of my youth,
With emotion he grasped my hand tight:
"You will pardon these tears, I've not seen you for years—
Could you loan me a V till tonight?"
E. P. Neville, in the Smart Set.

THROUGH OUR SPECTACLES

Mr. Elliott Whitehurst, a prominent citizen of Providence, died on the 9th inst.

Superior Court at Plymouth, Washington county next week. Judge Allen presides.

Exceedingly cool weather for this season of the year will make crops very backward in this section.

We congratulate our old friend J. M. Siterson upon his re-appointment as Postmaster at Williamston.

Mrs. Laura O. Mitchell has opened a first-class boarding house on Road St. near Main. Nicely furnished rooms and excellent table.

The advertising columns of a local sheet are the index of the commercial enterprise of its home community.

The Third Annual Convention of the Womans Temperance Union will be held at Edenton next week. See program.

Mr. Thos. Meads, of Kehukee gave the young people of that vicinity an enjoyable sociable one evening last week.

Nature has done a lot for a woman, but there are eleven mixed drinks that were invented to heal a man's broken heart.

The merchant that counts advertising as something apart from his legitimate business expenses, is not the one likely to make any great commercial success.

It is understood that the annual meeting of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly in June will be held at Wrightsville. That resort will also endeavor to be chosen as the place for the annual encampment of the State Guard, which will most probably be held in July.

The News & Observer is in dire distress. The sheet failed to secure the impeachment of the Judges, and any one who reads the editorials since the trial can not fail to be impressed with the direful and plaintive sounds that emanate from the editorial rooms of that paper.—Ex.

The Corporation Commission, which is hereafter to be a State tax assessment board, will have its hands full and earn the extra salary. The main line of its work will be to see that all property in the State is taxed on an equal footing. Take the matter of cotton mills. The cost per spindle is said to be about $15, yet to illustrate the variableness of valuation, in Gaston the assessment is $5, while in Mecklenberg and Alamance perhaps the assessment is $12 and $14 respectively. Such unequalities should be adjusted.

The following may be taken for what it is worth. We clip the same from the Greensboro Record:

"According to a staunch Republican in these parts, the first fruits of the amendment are becoming apparent and he sees hope for his party in it For instance, he remarks: 'Down in Wilmington the Democrats seldom quarreled, and if they did it was of short duration. When signs of losing votes by it appeared, some astute politician would grab up the negro and shake him and this would settle it. Now that the colored vote is out of the way, the Democrats are at it good and strong. Witness the split between Mayor Waddell and his aldermanic board. Personally I dislike a fight, but politically I can sit off and enjoy it.'"

The factional fight in the democratic ranks in this state is extremely bitter, and promises to disseminate some wholesome political information for the public. The reckless measures adopted by the party managers in 1898 and 1900 in order to defeat the republicans and populists required reckless men to carry them out. In the flush of victory, as might have been expected, these men demanded their reward, and, taking the party management out of the hands of the conservative element and wisest counsellors, a disgraceful rush for spoils was made, such as this state has never before witnessed.

* * * The spectacle has been so revolting to those men in the party who are not classed as politicians, and who have the interests of the state at heart, respect the courts and believe in law and order, that they made an effort to stem the tide of destruction, and led by some of the best newspapers in the state did manage to save our supreme court. They are now receiving a severe lashing at the hands of the bosses.—Hendersonville Times.

It is with sincere regret that we chronicle the death of Mr. A. Howard Mitchell, which occurred at his residence in this city Wednesday evening, the 10th, at the hour of six o'clock. Mr. Mitchell was well and favorably known throughout the district. He was the former editor and owner of the Fisherman & Farmer, a publication first launched at Edenton, N. C., but afterwards transferred to what was considered a broader journalistic field in this city. We had not the pleasure of an intimate acquaintance with Mr. Mitchell but we know that, until the dread hand of that fatal sickness, consumption, was laid heavily upon him, he conducted a bright, newsy and progressive paper, and the number of friends, both in this community and Edenton, who mourn his loss bear eloquent witness to the esteem in which he was held. The deceased's years numbered but thirty-five. A wife and three children survive him The funeral took place at the First Baptist church Thursday afternoon and was largely attended. His remains were interred in Overman's cemetery, in this city.

Could not the farmers organize Saturday Evening Clubs in every school district with profit as well as pleasure to themselves?

The business of the world in all branches is being done more and more along the lines of co-operation. The truckers and fruit-growers of the Wilmington section are not only organized and find it essential to their prosperity, but as one of their latest moves, have sent an agent to New York to look into the best methods of the distribution of their crops so as to avoid tumbling them into markets already glutted, and to take such other steps as may be found feasible to facilitate shipments, etc.—Raleigh Post.

The suggestion is an excellent one and timely. What our farmers need is co-operation along progressive and intelligent lines. To-day every branch of mechanical labor in this country is organized and is fully awake to the fact that in union there is strength. Why are our agriculturists so far behind in the progressive procession? Let the farmer use his brains as well as his brawn and he will in the future find the dollar crop more plentiful.

The Spring Term of Federal Court for this District convened here Tuesday, the Hon. Thos. R. Pernell presiding. Warrants were returned to the April Term in the cases of U S. vs. Spruill and Jackson, False return of sales; U. S. vs. Riddick,—Stealing from U. S. mails; and U. S. vs. Johnson, violation of Sec. 1441. The trial calendar was the largest that this court has yet seen. The cases against R. M. Lee of Edenton and A. B. Alexander of Tyrrell, charged with violation of the postal laws, and an indictment against one A. B. Evans for illegal distilling are those of greatest public interest, The attendance at this term is large and the city is crowded with strangers, the hostelry accomodations of the city being taxed to their uttermost. D. O. Newberry of Columbia is Foreman of the grand jury.

The Mt. Olive Advertiser says:

"There are ten times as many illiterate white people in a thousand, in North Carolina, as in either New York, New Jersey or Pennsylvania. How can a man who claims to be proud of being a Tar Heel, decline to labor for better educational facilities?"

Just such facts as these must be continually impressed upon our people until they take North Carolina from its present position in the rear of the educational column. Nor is it enough that the Legislature make liberal appropriations. The people must themselves work; they must see that the children attend the schools and that those in authority perform their duties faithfully—there is work for all.—Progressive Farmer.

An official call has been issued for the 19th Annual Convention of the W. C. T. U. of North Carolina, at Littleton on the 6th of June. The notice will be published in our next issue.

LOCAL MENTION

The sun rose this morning at 5:23 and will set to-night at 6:36.—The weather man forecasts heavy rains followed by pleasant weather for the coming week.—Mr. S. F. Stephens, a travelling salesman for Fairbanks & Co., of Baltimore, but whose home was in Charlotte, N. C., paid the penalty of nature as the victim of pneumonia, at the Hotel Arlington on Wednesday the 10th. Dr. G. G. Bell was the attending physician and the sufferer had every medical care until the last. The body was forwarded to Charlotte for interment on Thursday. In this sad case there seems to have been something of the element of fatality. A telegram from Mr. Stephens' wife was received at the hotel a day or so before his illness, but, owing to an error of address in the name, the same was not opened until after the confinement of Mr. Stephens to his bed. The telegram requested that he meet the sender in Norfolk Saturday. Had he received the same in due time, he doubtless would have responded thereto and had pneumonia then attacked him he would have had the advantage of city hospital nursing so needed in case of that dread disease. To say the least the mistake was a very unfortunate one on the part of the Telegraph Company.—The shelling of upper Main St. is progressing rapidly and will be quite an improvement, though, at present we cannot say that the odor of spring violets prevails along that thoroughfare.—

Some Easter eggs
Are a type of sin;
Pretty outside,
But bad within.

—Our retail trades-men complain of the season as a dull one. The unsatisfactory fish year, the curtailment of the cotton-mill out-put and other causes have led to economy on the part of the small buyer. What we need in Betsy-town is more wealth producers in a manufacturing line. The Shirt-Factory will soon open and will prove quite a boon. The Broom Factory will help some and a new factory is now under process of constructure near Knobs Creek the product of which will be fish-crates, baskets, butter-trays etc. It is estimated to give employment to about a hundred people. The parties interested are Messrs. Derickson & Blades. We understand that local promoters are, also, endeavoring to establish a silk factory here. We hope that they may be successful. Our little community should not be entirely dependent upon the farmer's good crop or the fisherman's lucky haul.—Through error we stated in our last weeks issue that W. H. Starke, the colored nominee, in the Second, the colored ward was duly elected Alderman in the recent city contest It seems, however, that at the last moment Mr. Louis Anderson, a white man, was announced as an independent candidate, and, to the surprise of every one, was triumphantly elected. The vote was a comparatively light one, many of the negroes had not registered and others are reported, also, to have been actuated by a feeling of jealousy against Starke, which in itself furnishes a significant commentory for students of the "race problem."—

The accident is closed,
With credit to them both;
For Funston he took Aggie,
And Aggie took the oath.

—The sentence of the negro burglar, Hardey Gaskins, convicted here at the last term of court, has been commuted to life imprisonment. Gaskins is happy, still stoutly maintains his innocence, and asserts that he will be free in six months, as he is certain that by that time the Almighty will answer his prayers and discover to the world the guilty man whoever he may be.—We extend our congratulations to the Rev. H. W. White, the popular Presbyterian divine. The stork favored his home Friday evening. It is a bouncing baby boy.—Miss Mabel Whitehurst of Brambleton, Va., is visiting Miss Nannie Allen on upper Road St.—Miss Mae Wood is off on a brief visit to friends in Washington this State.—We see that Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show is billed to exhibit at Norfolk on the 27th. Those who appreciate exhibitions of skill with horse and gun will do well to attend. It is something unique of its kind.—The Elizabeth Lodge No. 217, I. O. O. F., was instituted here recently by P. G. W. H. Weatherly, with about forty members. Degrees were conferred by the degree team of Achoree Lodge No. 14. The following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing term: Maurice Wescott, N. G.; J H. LeRoy, P. G.; Dr. F. W. Ritter, P. G. G.; Louis Selig, treasurer.—The fire alarm has kept our local fighters of flame on the jump during the week. No damage of consequence. In passing we would say that it is to be regretted that some system of alarm cannot be adopted by which the locality of the blaze may be more easily determined. Under the present system well-meaning citizens, inexperienced in the bell-ringing art, often make a sad mess in their efforts to indicate the ward in which the fire is located.—

Old Noah probably started it,
As ancient history shows;
For when he went into the ark
He joined the Buffaloes.

—Sun Bros' Show exhibited here Monday. The exhibition was of the very so-so order. The acrobatic features were passable. Of equestrianship there was none and the menagerie was conspicuous by its absence. It is to be regretted that the legislature did not remove the present excessive state circus tax. A first class circus offers an agreeable break in the monotomy of any agricultural community and is moreover not without its educative effect.—Miss Lizzie Bateman of Edenton is the guest of Mrs. Mattie Leary on Fearing St.—The Rev. Edw. Thompson the eloquent lawyer preacher failed to materialize here Sunday. He was to have addressed the local churches. Railroad mis-connection at Norfolk was responsible for his absence.—The Rev. C. W. Duke delivered a special sermon to the Junior Order of American Mechanics at the Baptist Church Sunday night. His effort was a happy one.—All members of the W. C. T. U. will please note the change made in the day of regular meetings. Until further notice the W. C. T. U. will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month instead of Thursday as heretofore.—We acknowledge calls from a number of friends who were in attendance upon Federal Court here, during the week.—Mr. R. A. Kohloss, of Columbia was in the city on Thursday. He favored the CAROLINIAN with a brief visit.—Dr. R. T. Vann, President of the Female Baptist College of this State delivered an eloquent address at the 1st Baptist Church Tuesday evening. Dr. Vann is a good talker, an able and cultured gentleman. He was here in the interest of his college.—The Cemetery Society meets at the residence of Mrs. S. L. Sheep on upper road St. this afternoon at 4:30.—The Ladies Guild of Christ Church will give a unique entertainment, a Japanese Tea, at the old Cook residence, formerly occupied by Frank Vaughan Esq., on Church St., next Wednesday evening. The public one and all are invited to attend. Remember the date.

LOST OR STRAYED.

One bay colt, mare 3 years old. When last seen was near Dr. Ritter's Drug Store. Information concerning whereabouts of said colt will be thankfully received by

JOHN BATEMAN,
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Our Colored People.

BY SPECIAL REPORTER.

[Items of interest concerning the Colored People will regularly appear in this column.]

Mr. D. W. Perkins, a law student at Shaw University, is at home here visiting his mother.

Mrs. Mattie E. Jenkins of Hertford, spent a short while in the city this week.

The Pasquotank County Teachers' Association meeting last Saturday was more than ordinarily interesting and was well attended.

News was received here on Monday announcing the death in Brooklyn of Mrs. Nancy Johnson, nee Pool, whose home is in this city.

Rev. W. L. Taylor of Hertford spent Sunday in our town.

A special rally was held at Mt. Lebanon Church Sunday and as a result $150 was raised.

James E. Felton of Winfall was in the city Saturday.

Miss L. V. Fleming left Tuesday for Hertford where she will spend a few days with friends.

Some miscreant visited the Normal and Industrial Institute last week and as an act of vandalism or theft cut and destroyed several dollars worth of valuable and beautiful hyacinths.

On next Thursday night, 24th, at the Presbyterian church, an educational mass meeting will be held under the direction of the Pasquotank County Teacher's Association which organization is earnestly endeavoring, among other things, to raise the standard of education among our people and to establish improved relations among all concerned.

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Cable to Iceland.

The laying of the first telegraph cable between Iceland and Europe seems to hang fire, write our Copenhagen correspondent. The foreign Governments who are interested in getting some quicker form of communication with Iceland than the mail, for the good of the fishing and commercial interests of the respective countries, have not been forthcoming with the necessary financial aid. Sweden has been very liberal in subscribing an amount for the purpose, and England is expected to do something, too, as her fishing interests near Iceland are quite the largest. The cable will probably connect Reykjavik, Iceland, with Granton, Scotland.—London Express.

How the Princes Disappeared.

A certain Captain Worcester, who has a talent for story telling, recently related this to a choice company of congenial spirits. It is too good to be lost. He was once entertaining two foreign princes to dinner on board his ship. After dinner his distinguished guests expressed a wish to go over the ship. Captain Worcester, having some special business to attend to, put them in charge of a quartermaster. Half an hour afterwards, to his dismay, the quartermaster appeared without the royal guests.

"If you please, sir," said the man, saluting, "wot am I to do? Them two kings has fallen down a hatchway?"

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15 and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers.

Investigation seems to show that South Dakota has paid somewhere near $11,000 bounty for the scalps of prairie dogs and young coyotes, the State officials having been under the impression that they were paying for wolf scalps. Even experienced men find difficulty in distinguishing between the scalp of a young coyote and that of a gray wolf pup.

There Is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

When quail are out of season in Missouri the first-class restaurants in Kansas City offer "snowbirds" to their patrons. It is said that the flavor of the "snowbird" is identical with that of the quail. The Kansas City packers have quail by the thousand all the year 'round, but the birds are stored where no deputy game warden could find them.

Coughing Leads to Consumption

Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist to-day and get a sample bottle free. Sold in 25 and 50 cent bottles. Go at once, delays are dangerous.

There is on exhibition at La Crosse, Wis., a large piece of the tusk of a mammoth which was found in a gravel bed at Hagar, Wis. The piece when taken out was about seven feet long and shaped like the tusk of an elephant, but after being exposed to the atmosphere it crumbled to dust in many places.

Lane's Family Medicine

Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and kidneys. Cures sick headache. Price 25 and 50 cents.

In fifteen years—1885 to 1900—Italy spent on her fleet $300,000,000, and yet the Italian navy does not come up to half the strength and efficiency of the German fleet, on which during the same period of years $298,000,000 was expended.

Cupid leads anything but an aimless life.

Boarding-School Tribulations.

This is a genuine letter from a lad at school. After complaining generally of the school, he says:

"I hope Matilda's cold is better. I am glad she is not at shule. i think i have got consumption. The boys at this place are not gentlemanly, but of course you did not no this when you sent me here. I will try not to get bad habits. The pants have worn out at the knees. i think the tailor must have cheated you, the buttons have come off and they are loose behind. i don't think the food is good, but i shd not mind it if i yas only stronger. The piece of meat I send you is off the beef we had on Sunday, but on other days it is more stringy, which cant be holesome when you are not strong. I have a tame beetle as a pet. Do not mind my being so uncomfortable, as i do not think i shall last long. Please send me some more money, as i o twenty-five cents. If you cant spare it i think i can borrow it of a boy who is going to leave at the half quarter, but perhaps you would not like to be under an obligation to his parents. Yr loving but retched son."—Current Literature.

The World's Corn.

Corn is pre-eminently the American cereal crop. In some years it rises to be chief of the world's cereal crops, surpassing in quality and exceeding in quantity both wheat and oats. The average corn crop for the past five years has been 2,756,057,000 bushels, and of this immense crop about ninety per cent. is raised in the Western Hemisphere, and almost exactly seventy-five per cent. in the United States. Such are the statistics given in the Crop Reporter, published by the United States Department of Agriculture. While an ungrounded prejudice against corn as a food for man and animals has existed in Continental Europe for years, it is manifest that this staple article is now attracting more attention throughout the world. In Egypt it is almost the sole food of the fellah; in Mexico, the tortilla—a cake made from crudely ground corn—is the staff of the masses, and this is also the case in many of the Central and South American republics. The polenta—a somewhat similar food and a product of corn—fulfills a like function for the peasant of Roumania and Italy.

The Clothes Never Came Back.

"About once a week there comes a man, a vagrant or confidence man of some sort, who would take your order for ten dollars for a set of books you know to be worth a hundred—you paying him five dollars on the order," writes Rev. David M. Steele, in the Ladies' Home Journal, of "The Lovers of a Cheerful Giver." "Now and then the woman calls who would take your jewelry and clean it for almost nothing. When you are out a man asks the sexton for your clock, or gun, or bicycle, to repair it, or the tailor (?) comes for 'that dress-suit Doctor So-and-So wants pressed.' He got one from the wife of a neighbor of mine one day last summer. He called an hour after her husband had gone to business. The suit was a good one and cost eighty dollars. Perhaps that is the reason it takes so long to press it. At any rate it has not been returned yet."

Bombay is an immense city with land and sea shipping equal to the best. It has large commerce and trade and manufacturing interests. Its buildings are said to be the finest in India.

"I Followed Mrs. Pinkham's Advice and Now I am Well."

A woman is sick—some disease peculiar to her sex is fast developing in her system. She goes to her family physician and tells him a story, but not the whole story.

She holds back something, loses her head, becomes agitated, forgets what she wants to say, and finally conceals what she ought to have told, and this completely mystifies the doctor.

Is it a wonder, therefore, that the doctor fails to cure the disease? Still we cannot blame the woman, for it is very embarrassing to detail some of the symptoms of her suffering, even to her family physician. **This is the reason why hundreds of thousands of women are now in correspondence with Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass.** To her they can give every symptom, so that when she is ready to advise them she is in possession of more facts from her correspondence with the patient than the physician can possibly obtain through a personal interview.

Following we publish a letter from a woman showing the result of a correspondence with Mrs. Pinkham. **All such letters are considered absolutely confidential by Mrs. Pinkham,** and are never published in any way or manner without the consent in writing of the patient; but hundreds of women are so grateful for the health which Mrs. Pinkham and her medicine have been able to restore to them that they not only consent to publishing their letters, but write asking that this be done in order that other women who suffer may be benefited by their experience.

Mrs. Ella Rice, Chelsea, Wis., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—For two years I was troubled with falling and inflammation of the womb. I suffered very much with bearing-down pains, headache, backache, and was not able to do anything. What I endured no one knows but those who have suffered as I did. I could hardly drag myself across the floor. I doctored with the physicians of this town for three months and grew worse instead of better. My husband and friends wished me to write to you, but I had no faith in patent medicines. At last I became so bad that I concluded to ask your advice. I received an answer at once advising me to take your Vegetable Compound, and I did so. Before I had taken two bottles I felt better, and after I had taken five bottles there was no happier woman on earth, for I was well again. I know that your Vegetable Compound cured me, and I wish and advise every woman who suffers as I did to try **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.** Believe me always grateful for the recovery of my health."—MRS. ELLA RICE, Chelsea, Wis.

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BRAVE DEED OF A GIRL

A Nebraska School Teacher Saves the Lives of Her Pupils.

MENACED BY RAGING FLOODS

The Brave Teacher Saved Thirteen Children From Drowning—Waded Through the Torrent, Got a Horse and Rope, and Used the Animal to Tow the Floating Schoolhouse to the Shore.

Harrison, Neb.—A thrilling incident of the White River floods developed here when Miss Lizzie Cottman saved thirteen children from drowning. The daring young woman also saved Schoolhouse No. 19 for the Sioux County taxpayers. The building, a small frame one, occupied a small glade 100 yards from the banks of the White River. The stream has in the last few days reached the proportions of a torrent, because of the melting snow and rain. Gradually the water backed into the ravine, and when Miss Cottman arrived at the school children were making merry in the building, which was nearly surrounded by a thin sheet of water. Unconscious of danger the little ones gathered for their classes and school work went on. The oldest child present was fourteen years.

An hour later Miss Cottman was frightened by hearing the water pass under the house with a roaring sound, which gradually increased. She rushed to the door. The building was surrounded. The land was twenty feet away, and the water then was waist deep. The girl at first concluded to wait for the assistance of some passing farmer. None came, and in an hour she felt the building shaking. The supports were giving way. Then she rushed outside and sprang into the flood, after making the children promise to wait inside. The little ones pressed their blanched faces against the window and screamed as they saw their teacher battling with the flood.

Miss Cottman found the water nearly over her head, but she got through. Then she seized a horse which one of the children had ridden to school, took a rope, and leading the horse back plunged again into the torrent. The rope she fastened around the horse's neck and the other end she made fast to the door of the building. By this time the building was ready to drift off into the flood.

It required desperate work to swim the horse back to the shore, and Miss Cottman was forced to hold its head above water to keep it from drowning. The animal dragged the building close to shore, and it was tied to a tree and the children sent home.

The citizens are talking of the manner in which the heroic girl may be rewarded. The County Commissioners will be asked to give her the price of the building she saved.

STOLEN PAINTING FOUND.

Gainsborough Portrait From Agnew Galleries Now in London.

Liverpool, England.—C. Morland Agnew upon his arrival here on the steamer Etruria, admitted that he had the Gainsborough portrait of the Duchess of Devonshire.

Mr. Agnew himself carried the picture ashore, but beyond admitting that it was the famous painting, he declined to furnish any details regarding its recovery, and proceeded to London.

A chase around the world costing a fortune, and covering a period of twenty-five years has terminated in the recovery of the famous Gainsborough portrait of the Duchess of Devonshire, which was stolen by American thieves in London, on May 16, 1876. The painting was in storage in Philadelphia for a long time, and its recovery was the result of untiring effort on the part of the Pinkerton Detective Agency, co-operating with Scotland Yard, the world-famous English police headquarters; the Secret Service Department of Paris and detectives in all parts of the world.

TO STOP MULE SHIPMENTS.

England Orders Her Agents to Quit Sending Live Stock to South Africa.

New Orleans, La.—The British War Office has cabled to its agent at New Orleans to make no further purchases of mule and horses for South Africa, but to close up their business here. They were also instructed to hurry forward all stock now under contract as rapidly as possible. May 1 has been fixed as the date for the closure of business here.

The total number of horses and mules shipped to date is 86,750, and there are about 7000 more head under contract in Missouri and Texas awaiting shipment. The total expenditures in this country on the part of the British War Department for the purchase of mules and horses and their provender is in the neighborhood of $25,000,000.

Schooner Ashore; Two Men Drowned.

The three-masted schooner Hyenia, of Calais, Me., bound to that port from Perth Amboy, went ashore at East Gloucester, Mass., and is a total wreck. Captain R. B. Dix, of West Tremont, Me., and Steward Fuller, residence unknown, were lost, while the two other members of the crew, Bennett and Elmer Stanley, were saved.

Will Patrol Bering Sea.

Five United States revenue cutters will patrol Bering Sea for the summer.

Big Gold Find in Rhode Island.

Six carloads of machinery have been sent into the North Sterling and Foster (R. I.) gold fields, and $50,000 worth of extra stock has been taken in advance. Considerable surface gold has been discovered. Experts say that the mines are very rich.

Russia's Blow at American Iron.

According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Daily Mail import duties for Vladivostock have been raised on all American iron, steel and machinery.

New Commander For the Petrel.

Commander E. S. Prime has been assigned to command the gunboat Petrel, on the Asiatic station, to take the place of Lieutenant-Commander Jesse M. Roper, who lost his life while attempting to rescue some of the men of his ship who had been overcome by fire in the sailroom of the vessel.

Governor Allen Not to Resign.

Governor Allen, of Porto Rico, arrived in Washington, and had a conference with President McKinley. At the President's request he decided not to resign, and will return to his post early in May.

Osborn Deignan to Be a Boatswain.

President McKinley, at Washington, has appointed Osborn Deignan to be a boatswain. Deignan is one of the sailors who accompanied Naval Constructor Hobson on the famous Merrimac expedition into Santiago Bay while the harbor was being blockaded by the American fleet.

Kitchener to Send Volunteers Home.

General Kitchener has notified the War Office, at London, that the volunteer companies belonging to twenty four regular regiments have been freed by relief and will start for England shortly.

THE MARKETS.

Late Wholesale Prices of Country Produce Quoted in New York.

MILK.			
The Milk Exchange price for standard quality is 2½c. per quart.			
BUTTER.			
Creamery—West, extra	—	@	22
Firsts	21½	@	21¾
Seconds	19	@	20½
State dairy tubs, extra	—	@	21
Imitation creamery	14	@	18½
Factory finest	13½	@	13¾
Low grades	11	@	12½
CHEESE.			
State—Full cream, fancy	11	@	11¼
Small	12	@	12¾
Part skims, good to prime	6	@	7
Full skims	1½	@	2
EGGS.			
Jersey—Fancy	14	@	15½
State and Penn	14	@	15½
Western—Choice	14	@	14½
Southern—Choice	13	@	13¾
Duck eggs	17	@	20
Goose eggs	30	@	35
BEANS AND PEAS.			
Beans—Marrow, choice, 1900	2 40	@	2 45
Medium	2 00	@	2 05
Pea, choice	—	@	2 10
Red kidney, choice	2 10	@	2 12½
White kidney, choice	2 30	@	2 35
Yellow eye	2 50	@	2 55
Lima, Cal	—	@	4 10
Green peas, bags	—	@	1 17½
FRUITS AND BERRIES—FRESH.			
Apples, Ben Davis, per bbl	2 50	@	3 50
Baldwin, per bbl	2 50	@	3 25
Greening, per bbl	2 50	@	5 00
Strawberries, Fla., per qt	20	@	35
Cranberries, per bbl	6 00	@	9 00
LIVE POULTRY.			
Fowls, per lb	10	@	10½
Chickens, per lb	—	@	9
Roosters, per lb	—	@	6
Turkeys, per lb	—	@	9
Ducks, per pair	50	@	80
Geese, per pair	75	@	1 12
Pigeons, per pair	35	@	40
DRESSED POULTRY.			
Turkeys, per lb	8	@	10½
Capons, per lb	10	@	15
Fowls, State & Penn., per lb	10	@	10½
Chickens, Phila., per lb	11	@	17
Ducks, per lb	12	@	13
Geese, per lb	9½	@	10
Squabs, per dozen	1 50	@	2 50
HOPS.			
State—1900, choice, per lb.	19	@	21
1899, prime	12	@	14
Pacific coast—1900, choice.	18	@	19
1899, prime	11½	@	13
Old odds	2	@	5
HAY AND STRAW.			
Hay—Prime, per 100 lb	92½	@	95
No. 1, per 100 lb	87½	@	90
No. 2, per 100 lb	82½	@	85
Clover mixed, per 100 lb	72½	@	75
Straw, long rye	82½	@	87½
VEGETABLES.			
Potatoes, West., per bbl	1 50	@	1 62
State, per sack	1 25	@	1 50
Sweets, per bbl	1 50	@	2 50
Onions—Orange Co., per bag	3 00	@	3 75
L. I., red, per bbl	3 00	@	3 75
L. I., white, per bbl	3 00	@	5 00
Cabbages, per bbl	1 25	@	2 00
Turnips, per bbl	80	@	90
Tomatoes, per carrier	1 50	@	3 50
String beans, per crate	1 00	@	5 00
Egg plant, per box	2 00	@	4 00
Peppers, per carrier	1 00	@	2 00
Celery, per dozen	15	@	90
Lettuce, per basket	1 25	@	2 00
Beets, per crate	75	@	1 00
Spinach, per bbl	20	@	65
Squash, marrow, bbl	1 00	@	1 25
Peas, per basket	1 00	@	4 00
Kale, per bbl	20	@	50
Carrots, per 100 bunches	2 00	@	4 00
Cauliflower, per basket	2 00	@	3 00
Parsley, per 100 bunches	2 50	@	3 50
GRAIN, ETC.			
Flour—Winter patents	3 60	@	4 00
Spring patents	3 90	@	4 20
Wheat—No. 1 N. Duluth	—	@	85½
No. 2 red	—	@	78
Corn—No. 2	47½	@	49⅞
Oats—No. 2 white	—	@	32½
Track mixed	30	@	31½
Rye—Western	60½	@	61
State	56	@	57
Lard, city	—	@	8.25c.
LIVE STOCK.			
Beeves, city dressed	7	@	8½
Calves, city dressed	7	@	10
Country dressed	5½	@	9
Sheep, per 100 lb	4 00	@	4 70
Lambs, per 100 lb	5 80	@	6 30
Hogs, live, per 100 lb	6 25	@	6 40
Country dressed	5½	@	8½

TOBACCO.

There is a little more activity discernible in Havana tobacco, and dealers expect a busy season. Sumatra tobacco is still quiet. In domestic cigar leaf there is little doing, except routine business. Western tobacco is dull, but prices are very firm.

EVEN COURSE OF BUSINESS.

Amazing Stock Market Performances Have Not Influenced It.

New York City.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "While the general business world has looked with amazement at the performance of the stock market, trade has maintained its even course, and there are many more points of gain than of loss, with even a slightly steadier tone in the dry goods market. There some sellers have withdrawn offers at recent low prices, though buying is small as yet. Collections in all lines are unusually prompt."

Bradstreet's says: "A speculative activity, seeking expression in the markets for securities, cereals, raw cotton and some hog products, has rather tended to obscure interest in general distributive trade, which has, however, been temporarily disturbed in retail lines at least by widespread unfavorable weather conditions."

CUBAN IRON MINES BOUGHT.

The Pennsylvania Steel Company Secures an Important Supply.

New York City.—To fortify its position against the United States Steel Corporation the Pennsylvania Steel Company has purchased the entire $5,000,000 worth of stock of the Spanish-American Iron Company for a sum between $1,500,000 and $2,000,000.

The Spanish-American Iron Company, of which Charles F. Rand is president, has since 1895 been shipping ores to this country from Cuba, mining about 325,000 tons a year. The Pennsylvania Steel Company, which uses about 1,000,000 tons a year, has been taking practically all the Spanish-American concern's product.

Bavaria's Order For Locomotives.

The Royal Bavarian Railway administration has issued an explanation regarding the recent order of four locomotives from the United States. It is asserted that the order was not given because of the low price, but merely to enable an examination into American methods of construction.

A Rush in Pacific Coast Shipyards.

All the shipyards on the Pacific coast, from San Francisco to Puget Sound, are working overtime to launch vessels for the spring trade.

Good Winter Wheat Crop.

Reports from the Nebraska winter wheat belt indicate that the prospects for the coming season are excellent. Taking the best previous crop as 100 per cent., the estimates now run from 110 to 115 per cent. In no part of the State has the crop been damaged by the winter weather.

Big Shipment of Vermont Timber.

Timber representing 300,000 feet of lumber, cut this season in the Vermont woods by the Connecticut Valley Lumber Co., is being shipped to tidewater.

Steel Trust After More Iron Mines.

The United States Steel Corporation, having secured the Rockefeller iron properties in the Lake Superior region, has also bought the Spruce mine, on the Mesaba range, and the Aragon, on the Menomiee range, for $3,000,000. It is also said to be negotiating for the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Company for about $8,000,000, and is seeking options on everything of value in that region.

Iron and Steel Trade Active.

The iron and steel trade continues very active in all its branches.

The Peopling of America.

In a paper read before the Anthropological Society at Washington Mr. W. H. Holmes dealt with the apparent position of the American people among the races of the world. He concludes that the human stem, taking root in the tertiary period, sent out four or more branches during glacial and post-glacial times, the latter period probably witnessing the specialization of the present American branch. Preference was given to the view that the eastern rather than a western continent was the original home of man, and that the American branch crossed over the Bering Strait, and were thus necessarily of Mongolian stock. A discussion on the paper brought out the belief on the part of several members that the cultural development of the races was toward integration and not toward differentiation. The diversity of language among the aboriginal Americans was thus adduced as evidence of a very low culture status on the part of the original stock entering America, and the opinion was expressed that the change from divergence toward integration probably began well down in the glacial period. In accordance with this integrating tendency the races of men, instead of being represented by a series of lines radiating from a common centre, should be represented by lines converging toward unity.

Old Churchyards.

It would appear that certainly so early as about A. D. 750 spaces of ground adjoining churches were inclosed and consecrated for burial, and by a canon of the ninth century every grave was to be esteemed sacred, to be adorned with the sign of the cross, and to be preserved from trespass and violation by dogs and cattle. Many churchyards have a history far older than the churches which stand in them, being originally places appropriated to religious assemblies, divine service being performed there, until at length the church was added for greater honor and convenience. It has been noted as a curious fact that in a large majority of cases the churchyards are on the north side of the church and on the north side of the road leading to them. There is a superstition among many old-fashioned folks that the north side of the churchyard is less sacred than the rest of the consecrated ground. "To be buried there," wrote Durandus, the great fourteenth century ecclesiastic, "is, in the language of the Eastern countries, to be buried out of sanctuary." Hence the position was largely appropriated to the graves of suicides, unbaptized persons, and excommunicates.—Notes and Queries.

Wanted More.

A man in a certain Iowa town, having by persistent toil become rich, decided to build himself a house and retire in comfort. House finished, he proceeded to furnish it. Knowing nothing at all about literary matters, he gave a local dealer carte-blanche in the matter of stocking the library.

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An anonymous contributor to the Century, who saw much of Queen Victoria at Osborne in 1886, says that Princess Beatrice's husband, Prince Henry of Battenberg, was allowed by Her Majesty privileges which others would never have dreamed of taking.

We heard some stories about Prince Henry; how he stopped the chimes, so that his unpunctuality might not be noticed, and a tale of his once not being able to get back in time for the royal dinner. Out sailing, and being becalmed, the time slipped away, and he saw with terror the dinner hour approaching. At last, after much manoeuvring and rowing his little sailing boat part of the way, he was able to struggle to land several miles from Osborne, and got some kind of broken-down conveyance to take him to the castle. Arrived at the lodge, the vehicle was refused admittance; to the Prince's despair he was obliged to get out and show himself before they would open the gates, he chafing the while at the waste of precious minutes. In spite of all his efforts, when he finally reached the castle he found the royal party already seated at table. There was no remedy, and so, making the best of a bad job, he walked quietly into the dining room just as he was, in his rough, wet yachting suit, and made his apologies to the Queen so simply and was so bright and pleasant about it that he was able to carry off what would have been an absolutely unpardonable offense in another.

Bridegroom Doubled the Fee.

Rev. Dr. C. M. Hawkins, pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church South, says the Baltimore Sun, used to be pastor of a church in Kansas City, and says that on one occasion he had rather an amusing experience in marrying a young couple in that city.

"The gentleman," said Dr. Hawkins, "was a handsome, noble-looking man, and the bride-to-be more than usually beautiful. It was plain to be seen that the prospective groom thought he had secured the one prize in all the matrimonial market and was correspondingly elated.

"Just before the ceremony the gentleman handed me the marriage license to see that it was all right, inside the license there was a crisp five-dollar note placed there as the fee. The couple stood up before the few witnesses in the parlor, the ceremony was gone through with and they were pronounced husband and wife. The first thing the new husband did was to draw his wife to him and imprint a fond kiss on her sweet lips. It seemed to thrill him with unexpected joy, for, immediately turning to me, he said: 'Parson, I'll be switched if I paid you enough for this job,' and, pulling from his pocket another five-dollar note, he thrust it into my hands."

The man who has no enemies may also have no friends.

Has a Hen For a Pet.

Alfred Yngve, a Castle valley wheelwright, has a tame chicken that follows him about like a dog. It is a hen, a fat, white fowl, with the ungainly appearance that results from having feathers growing all the way down the leg to the toes. The hen leaves its coop in the morning when the wheelwright starts to work, and it follows close behind him to the shop. It will, to a certain extent, mind him. It will lie down when ordered to; it will shake hands, and it will carry in its beak a newspaper or a little basket. Yngve says that a pet dog died on his hands two years ago, and he decided, instead of getting another dog, to try the experiment of making a pet of a chicken. The experiment was a success. Bingo, as Yngve call the hen, answers nearly all the purposes of a dog. On a Sunday walk the man took recently Bingo followed him the whole day, a distance of twelve miles, without fatigue.—Philadelphia Record.

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